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Letter Response

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated August 26, 2003.

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Remarks

This letter is in response to the Office Action dated August 26, 2003. In the office action, claims 1, 3-5 and 7 were rejected under §112, 1st paragraph; claims 1, 3-5 were rejected under §102(b) as being anticipated by Fischell US 5792144 and claim 7 was rejected as obvious over Fischell in view of Cioanta (US2002/0082610).

§112 Rejection

The Examiner indicated on page 2 of the latest office action that applicant does not disclose in the specification or the claims that the balloon is made from a radiopaque material, but indicates that applicant discloses that a radiopaque material is sprayed onto the